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**Southwestern Yacht Club's  
San Diego - Ensenada  
61<sup>st</sup> International Yacht Race**  
San Diego, CA  
Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

*Cruising Fleet  
Multihull  
One Design*

## Notice of Race

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025-2028 Including US Sailing Prescriptions*, except US Sailing Prescription to Rule 63.1 will not apply.
- 1.2 All immigration instructions as shown on the event website must be followed and all requested forms be filled out according to those instructions and submitted to be eligible for the race.
- 1.3 International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) shall replace Part 2 of RRS between sunset and sunrise.
- 1.4 Change RRS 51 to read: "All movable ballast shall be properly stowed. Water, dead weight or ballast shall not be moved for the purpose of changing trim or stability. Floorboards, bulkheads, doors, stairs and water tanks shall be left in place and all cabin fixtures kept on board. However, bilge water may be bailed out. Movement of sails not in use while racing is allowed; however, sails not being flown must remain within a boat's lifelines."
- 1.5 [NP] For the purposes of RRS 47 - Trash Disposal, a boat may not protest another boat for losing biodegradable sail stops overboard used to set sails in a safe and controlled manner. This changes RRS 60.1.
- 1.6 The following ORR rules are changed as follows:
  - 1.6.2 There is no limitation on crew weight. This modifies ORR rule 4.01.

- 1.6.3 For ORR class only. Change RRS 55.3(a) to read: ORR boats are allowed to measure with and use whisker poles and/or outriggers set to leeward for headsails. Additionally, entrants are allowed to be ORR rated for and use non-Large Roach Headsails set to leeward connected to whisker poles or outriggers as described in 2024 ORR 10.05 (f). You must have a certificate that includes whisker poles and outriggers if you plan to use them.
- 1.7 OCS Time Penalty
- 1.7.1 Under World Sailing Test Rule DR21-01, change the definition *Start* as follows:  
**Start** - A boat *starts* when her hull having been entirely on the prestart side of the starting line, and having complied with rule 30.1, if it applies, any part of her hull crosses the starting line from the pre-start side to the course side either  
(a) at or after her starting signal, or  
(b) during the last 60 seconds before her starting signal.
- 1.7.2 When a boat starts in accordance with item (b) of the definition *Start*, she may return to the pre-start side of the line to comply with item (a) of the definition of *Start*, but, if she does not, the starting penalty shall be 30 minutes added to her elapsed time.
- 1.8 RRS 51 Movable Ballast and RRS 52 Manual Power are changed to allow the positioning of movable ballast by power, but only if boats are designed and built with these systems, then rated for such power by the rating authority; provided further, however, that all movable ballast systems shall be capable of manual operation if powered systems are inoperable.
- 1.9 RSS 52 Manual Power is changed to allow power and stored energy for sail hoisting, trimming and adjustment of running rigging for boats rated with those systems by the rating authority.
- 1.10 RRS 55.2 Spinnaker Poles; Whisker Poles is changed to allow the use of spinnaker poles and bowsprits, whether fixed or retractable, for the purpose of setting sails.
- 1.11 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows:  
*(2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or*

## 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available via the [SWYC website](#) no later than Thursday, October 2nd, 2025 at 1600.

## 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located [here](#), or through the [SWYC](#) website.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing.
- 4.2 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.3 This race is open to all ocean racing sailboats 24' LOA or greater.

4.4 Classes are defined as follows:

ORR	Boats shall have a current 2025 ORR certificate.	In general, ORR class is for boats with a negative PHRF rating and LOA >40'.
ORC	Boats shall have a current 2025 ORC certificate.	
SWRF	SWRF ratings supplied by the SWYC Racing Fleet Captain.	
AMSS	AMSS assigned ratings.	
Multihulls	Boats shall have a current 2025 PHRF certificate.	
Cruising Fleet	Boats shall have a current 2025 PHRF certificate.	PHRF OWC base rating greater than 60 and a Performance Factor less than 1.8. Cruising equipment and engine use are allowed.
One Design	A minimum of four boats per class are needed to be scored as a one design class.	The class shall provide the OA with notice of their intent five days prior to the entry deadline.

4.5 Any group may form a separate class if four or more boats complete online entry not later than the entry deadline.

4.6 Entries shall be submitted [online](#) no later than 1800 Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

4.7 [DP] All boats shall have clearly visible sail numbers. Missing, improper, inconsistent, unclear, illegible, or numbers other than those used for check-in, are not permitted, and may result in being scored DNF.

## 5. FEES

5.1 The required entry fee is \$150 per boat.

## 6. SCHEDULE

6.1 The race is scheduled to start on Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.

6.2 The first warning for the first class is scheduled for 1125.

6.3 The starting order is expected to be in reverse order with slower boats starting first. The starting order will be specified in the SIs.

## 7. VENUE AND COURSE

7.1 The racing area will be the Pacific Ocean from the Coronado Roads to Ensenada, Mexico.

7.2 The starting area will be in the Coronado Roads approximately 2.0 nm bearing 125 degrees mag. from Zuniga Jetty Light Z.

7.3 The race will proceed from the starting line to a windward mark, approximately 1-2nm from the start, then to the finish line.

7.4 The finish will be approximately 2nm West of Hotel Coral Marina in Ensenada, Mexico.

## **8. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 8.1 The penalty for OCS is described in NoR 1.8.
- 8.2 For all other penalties, RRS 44.1 will apply without modification.

## **9. SCORING**

- 9.1 ORR classes will use a Weather Routing based rating created for this race. The rating will be determined by using the HRRR forecast the morning of the start and published by 10am. All competitors who are racing in an ORR class will be emailed a copy of the spreadsheet showing their rating.
- 9.2 Multihulls will be scored using PHRF Ratings supplied by the owner or class using Time-on-Time.
- 9.3 AMSS will be scored with PHRF using AMSS assigned ratings.
- 9.4 The ORC Classes will use their current ORC certificates and be scored using TOT with a Weather Routing based rating supplied by ORC. The rating will be determined by using the HRRR forecast the morning of the start and published by 10am. All competitors who are racing in an ORC class will be emailed a copy of the spreadsheet showing their rating.
- 9.5 SWRF will be scored using their SWRF rating.
- 9.6 Cruising Class boats' ratings will be reviewed, and assigned, if necessary, by the Organizing Authority (See Cruising Class Form on regatta website).
- 9.7 Notwithstanding the provisions of rules 90.3(a), (b), (c) and (d), there shall be no changes to race scores resulting from action, including the correction of errors, initiated more than 48 hours after
  - (1) the protest time limit for the last race of the series;
  - (2) being informed of a protest committee decision after the last race of the series; or
  - (3) the results are published.However, in exception, changes to scores shall be made resulting from a decision under rules 6, 69, or 70.

## **10. SAFETY**

- 10.1 [US Sailing Coastal Safety Equipment](#) (SER) is required in addition to all required USCG boating requirements.
- 10.2 Boats may submit SER waiver requests along with their risk mitigation proposals to the event organizer, Ian Trotter, [ian@chulavistaphoto.com](mailto:ian@chulavistaphoto.com)
- 10.3 Each participating yacht shall carry at least 1.5 times the minimum fuel it requires to return, at maximum rated engine speed, from the furthest point on the course to the nearest emergency services.

## **11. RISK STATEMENT**

- 11.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an

unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## **12. INSURANCE**

- 12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with at least \$500,000 third-party liability insurance.

## **13. PRE- AND POST-AWARDS PARTIES**

- 13.1 Pre-awards party: 1300 Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the Hotel Coral.  
13.2 Post-awards party: Paella party after the awards presentation on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the Hotel Coral. Sponsored by Club Nautico Baja.

## **14. AWARDS**

- 14.1 The awards presentation will occur at 1500 Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025.  
14.2 There will be appropriate take home trophies for all classes.  
14.3 Perpetual Trophies:
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| Unified Port of San Diego      | Yacht Club with Most Trophy Winners  |
| Port of Ensenada               | First Mexican Boat on Corrected Time |
| Douglas K. Smith               | First Boat to Finish (Elapsed Time)  |
| Mayor of Ensenada              | First Boat on Corrected Time         |
| Southwestern Racing Fleet      | First SWRF Boat on Corrected Time    |
| Burt Jay Perpetual Consolation | Last Boat to Finish                  |
| Bill Boison                    | Race Chair                           |
| San Diego to Ensenada          | First Overall – AMSS                 |
| San Diego to Ensenada          | Best Elapsed Time – AMSS             |
| TBD                            | First ORR boat on corrected time     |
| TBD                            | First ORC boat on corrected time     |

## **15. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 15.1 Race Chair: Ian Trotter, 619-200-2440 or [ian@chulavistaphoto.com](mailto:ian@chulavistaphoto.com)  
15.2 With sufficient notice, guest slips may be arranged through SWYC by calling the SWYC Office at (619)222-0438.  
15.3 The Hotel Coral, Ensenada, Mexico, has been designated as Race Headquarters in Ensenada on Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, and Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025.